

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Joseph P. Rynd, *et al.*  
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Title: Method Of Forming Thermoplastic Foams Using Nano-  
Particles To Control Cell Morphology

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Commissioner for Patents  
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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.312**

Sir:

This Amendment is submitted under 37 CFR 1.312 in response to the Examiner's Notice of Allowance and Examiner's Amendment of January 6, 2010. This Amendment is considered timely if filed on or before payment of the Issue Fee.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this Amendment.

The Remarks begin on page 3 of this Amendment.